

# Westgate Wildcat News



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**MISSION STATEMENT:** The Mission of Westgate Elementary is to provide an environment in which learners will continue to succeed through quality education.

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**2020-2021**

## Principal's Message

Dear Westgate Families,

Happy New Year greetings to you and your family! The Westgate staff has excitedly returned to school to continue celebration of student accomplishments. We are in the midst of analyzing our most recent series of assessments. We look forward to sharing successful assessment results with you soon.

For students preparing for Middle School next year, we encourage families to go onto the PCS website and research the opportunities for your middle school child such as magnet programs, fundamental programs and school attractors.

**Bonita Paquette, Principal**

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### Dates to Remember

- Jan. 04** Students return from Holiday Break
- Jan. 13** 5:30 p.m. Virtual Ready, Set, Kindergarten
- Jan. 18** Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday
- Jan. 19** Pro-Ed Day school closed
- Jan. 29** PTA sponsored Crazy Hair Day

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### Commitment to Character

We are excited about our Character program at Westgate. For the month of January, the Character word is Self Motivation. Self Motivation means working in a careful and consistent manner without giving up. We appreciate your support of the Character Education Program at Westgate.

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### District Application Program

- Step 1: Discover your options at PCSB website
- Step 2: Apply online Jan. 6-15 before 5:00 pm
- Step 3: Feb. 15-26 review your status & respond

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### Child Wellness Check

As we continue to navigate our current reality, I would like for us all to keep the safety and wellness of Westgate Elementary as our main priority. Before sending your child to school each day, please check your child for wellness.

## Adopt A Class donations in the memory of Mary Remick

Mary Remick was a long time volunteer at Westgate Elementary. In Mary Remick's memory her family and friends each adopted a classroom.

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| Lisa Grinstead adopted    | Ms. Smith       |
| Lisa Grinstead adopted    | Mrs. McClintick |
| Lisa Grinstead adopted    | Mrs. Motes      |
| Mr. & Mrs. Howard adopted | Mrs. Wanek      |
| Jane Schultz adopted      | Ms. Wilfert     |
| Ann VanHorn adopted       | Mrs. Ouzoun-Ash |
| Mr. & Mrs. Beams adopted  | Mrs. Motes      |
| Bonnie Partelo adopted    | Mrs. Kwapien    |

The teachers and staff at Westgate sincerely appreciate the Adopt A Class donations.

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### Ready, Set, Go Kindergarten Wednesday, January 13, 2021

**5:30 p.m. Virtual**

Check our school website <https://www.pcsb.org/westgate-es> for the Zoom link.

Westgate Elementary is having a Virtual Open House event for the incoming 21-22 students. At the Virtual Open House parents and students can:

- Talk with kindergarten teachers
- Get answers to your questions
- Find out about parental involvement activities

Please join us for an informative evening.

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### Vision and Hearing Screening

The Pinellas County School District, in accordance with Florida State Statutes(s.381.0056(6)C,FS, provides health services and screening for students in the public schools. The screenings may include, vision, Hearing, BMI (Body mass index-height and weight), and any appropriate follow-up. Please notify your school Principal in writing if you do not want your child to participate in any of these screenings on February 25 & 26. If your student wears glasses, please have them bring them to school on the days of screening.

**This written exemption notification needs to be turned into the Principal at least 1 week prior to the scheduled screening.**